

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/618,603 Confirmation No. : 5348  
First Named Inventor : Naoki MATSUMOTO  
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Examiner : R. K. Dhingra

Docket No. : 101249.52600US  
Customer No. : 23911

Title : Plasma Processing Apparatus

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**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated December 15, 2006. An extension of the time period for response to the Office Action is respectfully requested pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the appropriate fee is submitted herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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